GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RECONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE OF BRIDGES AND WOODEN BRIDGES
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to reconstruct and maintain the bridges and wooden bridges on National Highway-52;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount allocated for the same during the current year;

(d) whether there is any proposal for conversion of National Highway-52 into double lane; and

(e) if so, the time by which the work is likely to be started and completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (MAJOR GENERAL (RETI KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a)to(c) Yes, Madam. The Annual Plan 2001-2002 includes reconstruction of 7 nos. of wooden bridges at a cost of Rs.18.13 crore and rehabilitation of 4 nos. of bridges at a cost of Rs.1.08 crore. The existing bridges including wooden bridges are being maintained within the availability of funds. The funds are allocated State-wise and not work-wise.

(d)&(e) Out of the total length of 873 km of NH 52, 345 km is already double lane.Widening of the remaining length would be taken up in phases depending upon availability of funds and inter se priority. It is not possible to indicate likely date of start and completion at this stage.